

CLIENT SECURITY FUND COMMITTEE

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MEMO TO:

Members, Executive Committee of the Superior Court

MEMO FROM:

Hon. Douglas S. Lavine, Chair

Client Security Fund Committee

DATE:

February 22, 2018

SUBJECT:

Quarterly Report of the Client Security Fund Committee

October - December, 2017

Pursuant to Practice Book §2-72(e), the following is a report of the activities of the Client Security Fund Committee for the fourth quarter of calendar year 2017:

I. Claims Filed

Forty-one (41) claims for reimbursement were filed with the Client Security Fund Committee during the quarter, for an annual total as of the end of the quarter of two hundred (200) claims. The dollar amount of claims filed during the quarter was \$2,716,390.70. The annual total of claims filed as of the end of the quarter was \$7,538,231.56, exclusive of five claims filed for unspecified amounts. The total number of claims pending before the committee as of the end of the quarter was two hundred and twenty-six (226), with a total amount of claims pending of \$12,733,974.86.

II. Claims Approved

The Client Security Fund Committee approved reimbursement for twenty-four (24) claims during the quarter, and approved payments to those claimants in the amount of \$114,666.10. The committee also vacated one award denying a claim and determined instead that the claim should be approved for a payment of \$1,340.00. The annual total of claims approved by the committee was eighty-three (83) as of the end of the quarter, with a total amount of payments approved of \$2,903,421.43. The committee also denied twenty-seven (27) claims totaling

\$611,534.40 during the quarter, for an annual total of fifty-seven (57) claims denied in the amount of \$2,092,905.85.

III. Fund Activity

The client security fund received \$95,010.50 in collections during the quarter from individuals obligated to pay the client security fund fee pursuant to Section \$2-70 of the Practice Book. The client security fund also received \$43,219.07 in interest on the fund, and \$1,285.00 in restitution from attorneys or former attorneys whose conduct resulted in payments from the fund.

After deductions for expenses, payments to claimants, and other charges against the fund, including \$52,500.00 paid to the Lawyers' Assistance Program pursuant to Practice Book Section 2-73(f), the available cash balance in the fund as of the end of the quarter was \$15,156,644.61. A copy of the quarterly reconciliation of the client security fund prepared by the Judicial Branch Fiscal Administration office is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Hon. Douglas S. Lavine, Chair Slient Security Fund Committee

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Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018
Quarterly Account Summary
October 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017

Available CashBalance as of 10/01/2017			\$ 15,866,628.21
Cash Receipts (10/1/2017 - 12/31/2017)			
Fees Collected	\$	95,010.50	
Donations Received		0.00	
Restitution	\$	1,285.00	
Other Fund Revenue		0.00	
Interest Earned¹	\$	43,219.07	
Bank Service Charges		0.00	
Bad Checks	\$	(912.50)	
Restricted Revenue Refunds	\$	(2,448.00)	
Total Cash Receipts			\$ 136,154.07
Total Cash Available			\$ 16,002,782.28
Cash Disbursements (10/1/2017 - 1281/2017)			
Claims	\$	692,326.88	
Personal Services - Permanert Full Time	\$	60,389.16	
Longevity	\$	2,303.50	
Fringe Benefits	\$	52,838.56	
Employee Allowances & Reportable Payments		0.00	
In-State Travel	\$	18.00	
Mileage Reimbursement	\$	349.91	
Other Settlements - Reportable	\$	500.52	
Management ConsultantServices -			
(Lawyers' Assistance Program)	\$	35,000.00	
Fees and Permits	\$	103.75	
Online Information Services	\$	68.10	
Postage	\$	793.49	
Translation & Interpretation		0.00	
Office Equipment Lease/Rental	\$	651.21	
IT Software Licenses/Rental	\$	314.04	
Telephone		0.00	
Office Supplies	\$	480.55	
Minor Equipment-Non-Controllable	-	0.00	
Total Cash Disbursements			\$ 846,137.67
Available CashBalance as of 12/31/2017			\$ 15,156,644.61

¹Transfer from State Treasurer for Interest Earned (July - Sept. 2017)